

# Virginia Urban Forest Council

## Fact Sheet



VIRGINIA URBAN FOREST COUNCIL

<b>Mission:</b>	<i>To Enhance the Quality of Life through Stewardship of Our Commonwealth's Urban and Community Forests</i>
<b>Founded:</b>	September, 1990, as a result of the federal "America The Beautiful" program established by the Farm Bill, now titled Urban and Community Forestry Program.
<b>Corporate Status:</b>	Incorporated since July, 1991, in the state of Virginia.
<b>Governance:</b>	Board of Directors of 21 volunteer Directors, three-year terms. Permanent Members: 3. Ex-Officio Members: 2, one-year term. Bi-monthly meetings.
<b>Tax Status:</b>	501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization (#54-1589848). Fiscal Year: July 1 - June 30.
<b>Fiscal Responsibility:</b>	Certified audit initiated Fiscal Year 1995-1996. Fiscal review conducted annually by the Finance Committee appointed by the President
<b>Staff:</b>	Part-time Executive Director, part-time clerical assistant.
<b>Newsletter:</b>	<i>Forest Fragments</i> , quarterly, 4 to 8 pages. Circulation: Membership and Donors
<b>Membership:</b>	200
<b>Workshops:</b>	Regional workshops on selected tree care topics for skills training, information sharing, and networking among Virginia urban forestry professionals, municipalities, non-profits, and volunteers.
<b>Large Grants:</b>	National Tree Trust, USDA Forest Service, Virginia Department of Forestry. Advise the Virginia Department of Forestry on the distribution of federally-funded Urban and Community Forestry grants to Virginia communities.
<b>Scholarships:</b>	Richard S. Foster Urban Forestry Scholarship for a college student interested in studying urban forestry.
<b>Internships:</b>	Paid 10-week internships for a college undergraduate or graduate student
<b>Tree Stewards:</b>	Established in 1996 in 12 Virginia communities with new chapters added yearly. Annual training and reunion workshops.
<b>Speaker Directory:</b>	Speaker Directory for the Green Industry lists over 36 speakers and 107 topics.
<b>Home Page:</b>	Maintain a World Wide Web Homepage: <a href="http://www.fw.vt.edu/VUFC">http://www.fw.vt.edu/VUFC</a>
<b>Annual Needs:</b>	Need to raise \$100,000 for workshops, annual conference, salaries, operating costs, awards, scholarships, internships, newsletter, skills training, tree plantings, research and reporting, and more.

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### Membership/ Volunteer Forms

(Please fill out both forms, and mail with your tax-deductible membership and contribution.)

I want to begin \_\_\_\_\_ renew \_\_\_\_\_ my membership in the Virginia Urban Forest Council.

*\$20 Individual*   *\$35 Nonprofit*   *\$50 Municipal*   *\$125 Business* ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I'm enclosing a tax-deductible donation ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I'm enclosing a tax-deductible donation for the Richard S. Foster Urban Forestry Scholarship ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

501(c)(3) Nonprofit Organization—All Donations, Gifts, Bequests are Tax-Deductible

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Suite \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Keep up to date on the Council's activities by visiting our website at [www.fw.vt.edu/vufc](http://www.fw.vt.edu/vufc)

## Plant a Tree for the New Millennium

### VIRGINIA URBAN FOREST COUNCIL

#### 2000 COMMITTEES

VUFC would appreciate your expertise and assistance on the 2000 committees. Please check the committee(s) you wish to serve on:

- ☐ Communications—Roger Harris 540-231-4026 Newsletter, Website, Publications.
- ☐ Research/Evaluation—Charlie Blankenship 540-774-6272 Urban Forestry Research Needs, City Green, Legislative Needs
- ☐ Resource Development—Bill Poad 804-261-4890 Fundraising events and activities during 2000.
- ☐ Legislative/Policy—Terri Bates 703-532-0937 Follow state and federal legislation, Conservation Ethic Development.
- ☐ Liaison—Paul Revell 804-977-1375 Tree Stewards, Tree City USA, Arbor Day Activities, Membership, Partnerships, Volunteerism
- ☐ Education—Dwayne Jones 540-942-6735 Workshops, Internship, Exhibit, College Scholarship, Awards
- ☐ Board Development—Alan Jones 804-971-3020 Strategic Plan, Board Training, Nomination Committee.